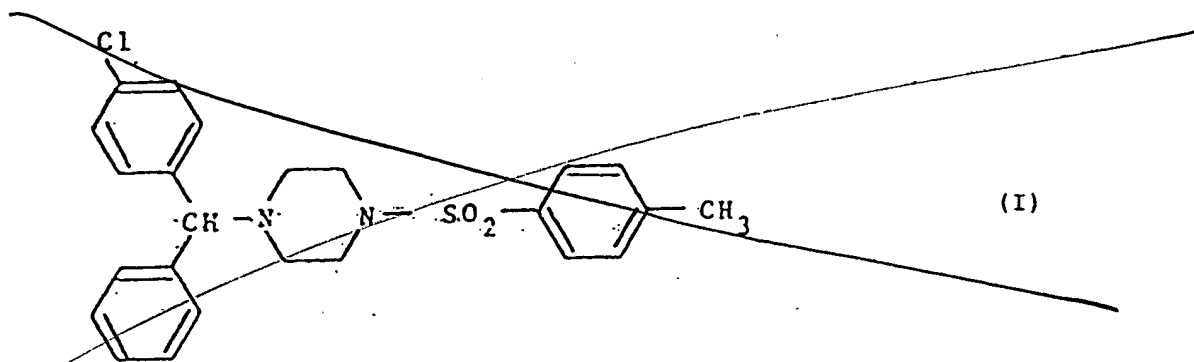


ABSTRACT

Levorotatory and dextrorotatory enantiomers of
1-[(4-chlorophenyl)phenylmethyl]-4-[(4-methylphenyl)sulfonyl]piperazine of the formula



their preparation and use for the preparation of substantially optically pure enantiomers of
1-[(4-chlorophenyl)phenylmethyl]piperazine, which are themselves valuable intermediate products
for the preparation of optically active therapeutic compounds having a very high degree of optical
purity.

ABSTRACT

The invention provides a method for the treatment of allergic conditions by administering
to a patient an effective amount of dextrorotatory dihydrochloride of 2-[2-[4-[(4-chloro-
phenyl)phenylmethyl]-1-piperazinyl]ethoxy]acetic acid. The treatment is conducted in the absence
of levorotatory dihydrochloride of 2-[2-[4-[(4-chloro-phenyl)phenylmethyl]-1-
piperazinyl]ethoxy]acetic acid.